

## HONOLULU IRON WORKS SECURES RIVAL MANAGER

W. G. Hall of Catton, Neill & Co. Will Be Assistant To Manager Hedemann

### ASSUMES NEW DUTIES FIRST OF NEXT MONTH

Will Look After Hawaiian Business While Mr. Hedemann Handles Foreign Interests

W. G. Hall, president of Catton, Neill & Co., has accepted the position tendered him by the Honolulu Iron Works Company and will become its assistant manager. He will probably enter upon his new duties about the first of July.

This announcement was made yesterday following a meeting of the directors of the Honolulu Iron Works Company. The company has had no assistant manager since W. J. Dyer resigned about two years ago. In the meantime the position has been left open.

The company has worked up a very large sugar mill business in Cuba, Formosa and the Philippines so that Manager G. Hedemann finds it necessary to devote a very large share of his time to that part of the work. E. Kopke the general engineer next in line to Mr. Hedemann is unfortunately unable to attend to the Hawaiian trade. Hence Manager Hedemann asked his directors to secure Mr. Hall's services.

As soon as he can close up his business with the rival concern, Mr. Hall will take full charge of the Hawaiian business of the Honolulu Iron Works and Mr. Hedemann will devote practically his entire energies to the foreign business of the company. There are matters pending now which require Mr. Hedemann's immediate presence in New York so that as soon as Mr. Hall can familiarize himself with his new duties the general manager plans to start after some big new West Indian orders.

### PRICES OF STOCKS BREAK: TRADES FEW

But There Are Practically No Shares For Sale

A general though slight break in prices marked the few small trades on the exchange yesterday, but it is important to note that even with falling prices there are practically no shares for sale. Brokers said yesterday that there is no good reason why price should be as low as they are. On a profit earning basis plantation value are too low rather than too high.

There is hardly a shadow of doubt that six cents will be the base level to the end of 1917 at least. The fact that England has contracted for part of the 1917 Java crop is an indication that what is ahead for Hawaii is a continuance of good times, high prices and big dividends. Hence small holders are safe in holding even though present quotations are below the price at which purchasers were originally made. When the change comes it will come quickly and values will undoubtedly rise much above their present level. The world is short of sugar but Hawaii is going to harvest the biggest crop in its history next year. Only 975 shares changed hands between boards and at the session.

The curb market is down. Bidder offered \$1 for Mineral Products, \$2.75 for Engle's Mountain King 90 cents Honolulu Consolidated \$2.20, and ten cents for Tipperary. There was very little trading in any of these shares.

### CITY WILL RECEIVE UTILITIES REVENUE

President Signs Measure Transferring Money To Municipality

The following cablegram was received from Delegate Rubio yesterday morning by Mayor John C. Lane: "Bill making payment to counties by public utilities approved by President yesterday, effective immediately. The result of the approval of the bill referred to in this message will be that about \$15,000, payable by the Rapid Transit Company and the gas company on their franchises as the public's percentage of profits, will be paid to the city instead of to the Territory. The original franchise provided for the payment of this money to the territorial treasurer, while the act which Delegate Rubio says the President has signed makes the money payable to the city of Honolulu.

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## KOREA AND SIBERIA COMING TO HAWAII

New T. K. K. Additions To Be Placed On Oriental Run From San Francisco

The former Pacific Mail steamer *Siberia*, which was purchased by the *Siberia* from the Atlantic Transport Line by the Toyo Kisen Kaisha, will arrive in Honolulu from San Francisco, transporting its passengers in the trans-Pacific trade, about August 1, according to a radiogram received from San Francisco yesterday.

The *Siberia* will join her sister ship, the *Korea*, and the new additions will be added to the T. K. K. fleet, the *Toyo Maru* and *Shinyo Maru*. Schedules of the new sailings on the route by San Francisco-Yokohama run, via Honolulu, will be published in the near future. The *Siberia* is now in England unloading a cargo of munitions. She will be despatched to New York, and shortly after her arrival will sail for San Francisco via the canal.

The sale by the Atlantic Transport Line of the two former Pacific Mail lines, *Korea* and *Siberia*, to the Japanese trans-Pacific line Toyo Kisen Kaisha, is viewed in shipping circles with a great deal more interest than usually given such transactions, says "Shipping." Illustrated, because it is felt in some quarters that being in such an excellent position to gauge the freight market situation, the Atlantic Transport Line would not have disposed of these vessels had there been immediate likelihood that the glut of traffic offering for transportation across the Atlantic was to keep up for a much longer period.

It is, therefore, probable that this sale promises a nearly lowering of the shipping tension and consequent drop in freight rates.

This situation is not necessarily predicated upon the prospect of a nearly peace, but rather on the theory that the critical period has been passed as far as the requirements of the Allies for war material are concerned, and that henceforth the tendency will be toward a gradual return to normal conditions as far as transatlantic traffic is concerned.

Another point is that these boats are large passenger carriers, having accommodations for 280 cabin, 100 second and 653 steerage passengers, and if a large emigrant traffic were expected to follow the termination of the war they would constitute units for such traffic. Therefore, they sale may be said to indicate on the part of their former owners the belief that emigrant traffic will not be of large proportions after peace is declared.

The *Korea* and *Siberia* having been built specially for the trans-Pacific trade, are specially well adapted to the requirements of the Japanese line, which was in need of additional tonnage even before it suffered the loss of the turbine liner *Chiyo Maru*, recently wrecked near Hongkong.

The *Korea* and *Siberia* were built at Newport News, Virginia and delivered in June, 1912, as the first step in the rehabilitation of the Pacific Mail under the control of the late Collis P. Huntington. They cost \$3,975,114, being twin-screw boats of 11,270 tons gross and eighteen knots speed. Upon the winding up of the affairs of the old Pacific Mail Steamship Company last year they were sold along with the rest of the company's trans-Pacific fleet, consisting, besides the *Korea* and *Siberia*, of the *Manchuria*, *Manchuria* and *China*—to the Atlantic Transport Line, one of the components of the International Mercantile Marine Company, for \$2,000,000 the two.

It is now reported that the Atlantic Transport Line realized \$4,000,000 out of the sale of the two ships, which must be considered a record price for two fourteen-year-old liners.

It is also said that the first bid made by the Japanese line was \$3,000,000 for the two ships, which was declined. The bid was raised later to \$3,500,000 and finally to \$4,000,000, at which price the sale was made.

### Jack London Turns Down Offer As War Correspondent

Too Busy To Go To Mexican Front For Hearst's Newspapers

Jack London, seaman, lumberjack, novelist, and war correspondent at times, has turned down an offer from William Randolph Hearst, to proceed immediately to the Mexican border and "cover" the "war with Mexico" for the Hearst papers.

The offer from the big newspaper publisher came by cablegram yesterday but Mr. London was compelled to decline, owing to the pressure of other work. He has a string of magazine articles under contract, as well as a number of short stories, and, it is said, another novel well in hand, so he felt that he could not leave them and go hiking off on the chase of color stories of the borderland of Mexico for the daily papers.

The job of war correspondent is not exactly a new one to Jack London. He was sent out by Mr. Hearst before the outbreak of the Russo-Japanese war, but unfortunately suffered from the effects of the Japanese censorship along with the other correspondents, and covered his heels for an interminable number of weeks on the hunt of the Imperial Hotel or strolling along the Ginza in Tokio.

## KALAUOKA'S PET HEN SWALLOWED A MOUSE

And Recital of Tale Adds To Judge Whitney's Perplexities

Of all the queer and outlandish complaints that find their way to the juvenile court of Honolulu probably the queerest was one lodged yesterday by John Kalaukoa of Punalu.

A mouse, a long string, a Rhode Island Red and a number of boys figure in the story, which was told by Kalaukoa to Judge Whitney yesterday morning.

"Mr. Judge, I make complaint for plenty small boy who make pillkika for my chicken and I want you make them prohibit stop their nonsense," Kalaukoa said. He then told his tale.

A number of young toughs have been bothering Kalaukoa's poultry, of late. Now and then he misses a good fat hen, and not even the feathers ever come home to roost. Tiring of the tricks played on him, John laid in wait and watched the youngsters yesterday morning. He had heard a good deal of the American watchful waiting policy, now so much in vogue in Washington, and decided to adopt it. In three hours he was able to learn a new wrinkle in the art of how a hen can be caught without much fuss.

"First time see one small boy get one little hole—small rat all same like mice—and then I look see another boy bring one long piece string, many yard long," Kalaukoa went on with his tale. "Then the two boy he tie string to the rat and let him go with plenty laugh. Then I look see plenty more small boy run everywhere and look for rat."

In his own inimitable way John told how he secretly followed the boys. They forced the rat toward the vicinity of his poultry yard and one of the youngsters strayed a handful of corn. John's chickens hurried to the corn and one big fat hen, more alert than the others, spied the corn. She chased him, caught the little rodent and swallowed it at a gulp.

"She fool him," John thought, as the mouse disappeared within his pet hen, and he smiled, unseen by the youngsters. But the end was not yet. All at once the boys began looking around and one found the unattached end of the string. He drew it in gradually and at the other end of the string came a surprised and struggling hen. The little boy played the string so deftly that John thought of his fishing days when he used to tense and lead on an eel on the rocky reef of Kakaako. The little fellow, of course, caught the hen, but John's sudden appearance on the scene changed the situation. The kids skinned away, but the hen remained behind. By the same string John captured his property.

"And what you going do this boy?" he asked Judge Whitney.

"Well I guess I'll have to look into the case and see if we have any law prohibiting fishing for hens with mouse bait," the jurist answered. "Guess I'll put Archie Mahaula on the case. His own good common sense and ability to quote from books ought to let him light here."

"You put this in paper," Kalaukoa told the Advertiser representative. "I want make scare for small boy."

### HEAT OFFICE BUILDINGS BY ELECTRICITY ON COAST

Electric heating of office buildings has been successfully accomplished by the Washington Water Power Company in the case of its country building in Spokane during the past three years. Cartridge heating units are employed in a special boiler supplying steam and ordinary steam radiators.

A large substitution is to be similarly heated, using the existing plant with the substitution of electric heaters for coal fuel, the hot air being circulated through the boiler tubes by means of an electric fan. No determination of rates for commercial service has yet been made.

**Mrs. Scott Paid \$8750** Through a typographical error an article on this page last week telling of the purchase of two lots in the Howard tract by Mrs. John A. Scott, of Hilo, the price was given as \$250. As a matter of fact the consideration was \$8,750 for the two. The deal was negotiated through the realty department of the Bishop Trust Company. It is understood Mrs. Scott contemplates the construction of a handsome residence on the site.

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## VON HAMM-YOUNG WILL BUILD BLOCK

Auto Firm To Have Modern Sales Room and Office Building Across Alakea Street

Plans have matured and await only the completion of final negotiations whereby the von Hamm-Young Company will begin construction in the near future of a large modern automobile garage and sales structures in Alakea street opposite its present garage and extending south to Hotel street.

The plans, it is understood, include the quarters formerly occupied by the Star-Bulletin, or possibly that entire building. If the final negotiations are completed satisfactorily, as it is confidently expected they will be, the entire tract extending to Hotel street will be the site of a big, thoroughly up-to-date automobile building.

In it will be handsome show rooms, company offices, store rooms and possibly repair shops, a strictly high class establishment comparable to the best concerns of its kind on the Coast.

The von Hamm-Young Company already owns or has control of the lot at the corner of Hotel and Alakea streets, it is understood, that property having been purchased several months ago from George C. Beckley.

It was known some time ago that the firm was seeking to extend its quarters adjacent to the Alexander Young Hotel building, as its volume of business had reached a point that created congestion in its shops and salesrooms.

The removal of the Star-Bulletin from the building just across Alakea street is believed to have given the plan new impetus, as that property was left vacant and open for sale or lease.

Whether the other properties involved, in the proposed site for the new structure have been or will be acquired by purchase or lease is not made clear yet. These include the offices and private hospital of Herbert B. Walters, surgeon, and physicians, the lodging house maids of that building, the office of J. C. Axtell, dealer in wire fencing, and the office of Dr. R. W. Anderson, dentist.

### SURVEY FOR COTTAGES AT VOLCANO HOUSE

C. E. Loomis, civil engineer for the Bishop Estate will go to the island of Hawaii the latter part of the present week and proceed to the Volcano House, where he has been authorized by the trustees of the estate to survey a considerable tract on which cottages probably will be built later. His survey also will provide for automobile roads through the section.

The tract to be opened by the estate lies just back of the Volcano House, including in large part the gardens at present maintained there. The area to be surveyed probably will be thirty to fifty acres.

### WHEN BIDDER'S ERROR WON HIM THE CONTRACT

When a contractor makes a mistake in his bid it usually loses him the job. At a recent bridge letting, however, the opposite occurred.

On the total, a competitor appeared to be the winner. But in checking the bids the officials found that the next low man had made errors both in multiplication and in addition. When the corrections were made, the standings of the two low bidders were reversed.

### ELECTRIC SIGNS MAKE NEW YORK UGLY BY DAY

The New York Sun is not pleased with the daylight appearance of the ugly framework of the electrical signs that are a feature of that city's night life.

"New York's justly praised electric display at night," says the Sun, "is not gained without cost to the city's beauty at other times. The stretch of city blocks that shine so brilliantly at night is a sorry skeleton in the daytime with its gaunt iron structures shooting up meaninglessly from the roof tops."

### JAPANESE TENNIS STARS START WELL

(Special Marconigram to Nippu Jiji.) SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., June 21.—Kumagae and Mikami, the Japanese tennis stars who are now touring the mainland, won their first match in Seattle last Saturday, when they defeated the Washington champions in the doubles. The Japanese players entered the big tournaments of the East.

### FLETCHER PAYS \$10,000 FOR DAM OF PETER VOLO

LEXINGTON, Kentucky, May 31.—Nervolo Belle, the dam of Peter Volo, champion trotter as a two, three and four-year-old, was sold here today for \$10,000. She was purchased from G. L. Knight of Nicholasville, Kentucky, by Stoughton A. Fletcher of Indianapolis. Nervolo Belle is also the dam of Volo, the sensational two-year-old trotting filly.

### JIMMY DUFFY DEPARTED

BUFFALO, New York, May 31.—Johnny O'Leary of Buffalo last night shaded Jimmy Duffy of Lockport in ten rounds before Queensberry Club. In the second round O'Leary went to the mat, taking Duffy with him. O'Leary was the aggressor throughout the fight and hit the hardest blows. O'Leary conceded ten pounds to Duffy, and took the weight forfeit of \$200 when the Lockport boy refused to weigh at 3 o'clock. O'Leary weighed 134, Duffy 144.

## SPORTS

### DATES SETTLED FOR BIG SWIMS

Vollmer, Cann and Langer Coming To Compete In Open Water Championships

Dates selected for the big championship swimming meet to be held in the naval ship, under the auspices of the A. A. U., are July 27, 28, and 29. The naval ship will be used, providing there is no transport in port at the time.

It is positively known that Arthur Vollmer, Ted Cann and Andy Langer will make the trip, and it is possible that Raithel and Perry McGilivray, the Illinois Athletic Club crack, will also come. Money has been forwarded from here to pay the expenses of the five swimmers, but there is a question if Raithel and McGilivray can get away to take part in the expedition.

Chief of those who will oppose the mainland champions are Duke Kahamoku, George Cunha and W. Grace. All three men are training earnestly in view of the coming meet, and each will be in the best possible shape when the starter fires his gun on July 27.

The A. A. U. has sanctioned the holding of open-water championships here at 100, 250 and 500 yards, and one of these events will be staged as a feature of each night's program. The programs will be filled out by other swimming and diving events.

The races will be swum by electric light and it is expected that this innovation will make a strong appeal to the sporting public.

Reserved seats will be placed on sale early next month.

### BERNICIA LANE TO HAVE FAST RIVAL

Bernicia Lane was a departing passenger by the steamer *Manoa* on Tuesday. She goes to San Francisco to compete in the A. A. U. championship swimming races to be held in San Francisco, July 4.

Miss Lane, who is a Palama Settlement girl, defeated Frances Cowells in the 50-yard swim held here during the last Carnival, and in try-out races last Saturday afternoon, defeated Lucille Legros and Helen Ross in 100 and 50-yard races in the Alakea street slip, thereby earning the right to go to San Francisco to represent Hawaii in the July championships.

Opposing Miss Lane will be Olga Dorfner, the American champion; Claire Galligan, Frances Cowells, Dorothy Becker, Miss Burns and Miss Daly.

### New Record For Olga

Olga Dorfner, of the Philadelphia Turngemeinde, has made 1:09 3/5 for the 100 yards. She is the United States' fastest short distance and record holder.

In Philadelphia, a few weeks ago, she won the 50-yard national women's swimming championship, covering the distance in 30 1/5 seconds. This is the fastest time ever made in America by a woman swimmer. She easily won the try-outs for the 100-yard women's championship, swimming the century in 1 minute 11 3/5 seconds.

### BONE BREAKERS TO CONVEY IN 'FRISCO

(Special Marconigram to Nippu Jiji.) SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., June 21.—The Pacific Coast jiu-jitsu meet will be held in San Francisco on Sunday evening. Athletes from all of the Pacific Coast cities will be entered in the competition. It is the champion, will be entered as well 100 other athletes from the Kodokwin.

### MISS BJURSTEDT KEEPS HER SWIMMING STRIDE

PHILADELPHIA, June 2.—Miss Molla Bjurstedt, the woman lawn tennis champion, won the singles championship of the women's Pennsylvania and Eastern States tournament by defeating Miss Eleanor Sears of Boston in the final round today on the courts of the Merion Cricket Club, 6-3, 6-3.

### DUNDEE GETS DECISION

PROVIDENCE, Rhode Island, May 31.—Johnny Dundee of New York was given the decision over Eddie Wallace of Brooklyn in their ten-round bout at the National A. C. at Marlville tonight. The New York lad took things easy in the first four sessions, but in the fifth he started after his opponent and never let up until the final gong. He gave Wallace everything in the last seven frames but the K. O.

### FIGHT A PAST DRAW

HAZLETON, Pennsylvania, May 31.—At the Beaverbrook Athletic Association yesterday, Al Dewer of Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania, and Battling Kopin of Jamestown, New York, welterweights, fought a fast ten-round draw in an open arena. Both were fresh at the finish.

## HARVARD PUTS IT OVER OLD FRIEND

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) CAMBRIDGE, June 21.—In a fast baseball game played here yesterday Harvard was victorious over Yale, her ancient rival, the score being five to two runs. Harvard secured an early lead and Yale was unable to stem the tide of defeat. A big crowd of maddened fans rooted the homers to a popular winning.

### HARVARD WINNER OF SECOND GAME

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.) CAMBRIDGE, June 21.—Harvard University beat Yale at baseball here today, the score being 4 to 1.

### HEALING CLUB DISSOLVED

The Healan Yacht and Boat Club was dissolved as a corporation by Henry O. Hapal, acting territorial treasurer, yesterday. F. W. Wichman, president of the club, was named trustee to settle all claims that may remain. The club was organized in 1894, and it is understood that the change is merely to put the club into another form of organization.

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